



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of )

Yuriy Reznikov, )  
John West, and )  
Oleg Yaroshchuk )

Group Art Unit 2871

T. Ton, Examiner

Serial No.: 09/656,742 )

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OF LIQUID CRYSTALS USING )  
IRRADIATED LIQUID )  
CRYSTAL FILMS )

  
Cynthia M. Wilson, Secretary to John J. Cunniff

**RESPONSE**

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on August 28, 2002, the Applicants, through their attorney, reply as follows.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner stated that an election of claims 24 and 27 was acknowledged. Claims 24 and 27 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). However, claims 24 and 27 are non-elected claims in the present application. In Paper Number 10, the Examiner had classified claims 24 and 27 in Group I, while claims 1-20, 21-23, and 25-26 constituted Group II. In the Response mailed on May 14, 2002, the Applicants elected the claims of Group II with traverse.

Therefore, the Applicants maintain that examination of the claims of Group I was improper in the present case. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection. Should the Examiner care to discuss any of the foregoing in greater detail, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Cunniff", written over a horizontal line.

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